## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the abstract at page 30 with the following new abstract:

A layered composite contains the following layers: (I) a layer I composition containing (a) from 0 to 80 parts by weight of at least one polyamide; (b) from 0 to 100 parts by weight of at least one polyamine-polyamide copolymer; and (c) from 0 to 80 parts by weight of at least one polyamide; and (II) a layer II composition containing at least one ethylene-vinyl alcohol copolymer.